State of Arizona House of Representatives Forty-seventh Legislature First Regular Session 2005

## **HOUSE RESOLUTION 2002**

A RESOLUTION

ON THE DEATH OF EDUARDO "LALO" GUERRERO.

(TEXT OF BILL BEGINS ON NEXT PAGE)



Eduardo "Lalo" Guerrero, the "Father of Chicano Music", died in California at the age of eighty-eight.

Born on December 24, 1916 in the Barrio Libre neighborhood of Tucson, Arizona, Lalo Guerrero received musical instruction from his mother and showed remarkable talent from his earliest days. Known far and wide as the "Father of Chicano Music", he enjoyed an exceptionally diverse career as an entertainer. He wrote and recorded hundreds of songs under different record labels and his records sold millions of copies. Lalo Guerrero's pachuco songs from the 1930s and 1940s were used in a popular musical and film, and his composition "Canción Mexicana" became Mexico's unofficial national anthem. He established "Las Ardillitas de Lalo Guerrero" for Hispanic children in the 1950s and 1960s, a time when his songs were tremendously popular in the United States as well as Mexico and Latin America. He appeared in several Hollywood films, and in 1993 he co-hosted "El Nuevo Show de Paul Rodriguez" on the Spanish language Univision channel.

In recognition of his tremendous contributions to American music, Lalo Guerrero received numerous honors and awards throughout the course of his career. Among his many accomplishments, he received the Medal of the Arts in 1997 from President Bill Clinton, the National Heritage Award from the National Foundation for the Arts in 1991 and a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Mexican Cultural Institute. He was named a National Heritage Fellowship winner in 1991 and a National Folk Treasure by the Smithsonian Institute in 1980.

Lalo Guerrero will be greatly missed by his family and many friends as well as countless admiring fans around the world.

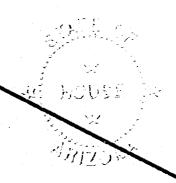
Therefore

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Arizona:

That the Members of the House of Representatives sincerely regret the passing of Eduardo "Lalo" Guerrero and extend their deepest sympathies to his wife, Lidia, former wife, Margaret, sons, Dan and Mark, granddaughter, Maya, sisters, Connie, Theresa and Mona, brothers, Gene and Ruben, and other surviving family members.

UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE APRIL 18, 2005.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE APRIL 18, 2005.



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<u>April 18</u>, 20<u>05</u> Speaker, of the House

## **EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA** OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This resolution was received by the Secretary of State

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